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10. A method for detecting a nucleic acid molecule encoding Fgl2 according to claim 7 or 8 comprising contacting the sample with a nucleotide probe capable of hybridizing with the nucleic acid molecule to form a hybridization product, under

conditions which permit the formation of the hybridization product, and assaying for the hybridization product.

11. A method according to claim 10 further comprising treating the sample with primers which are capable of amplifying the nucleic acid molecule in a polymerase chain reaction to form amplified sequences under conditions which permit the formation of amplified sequences, and assaying for amplified sequences.
12. A method according to any one of claims 7 to 11 wherein the condition is graft rejection.
13. A method according to any one of claims 7 to 11 wherein the condition is fetal loss.
14. A method of inducing immune coagulation comprising administering a nucleic acid sequence encoding Fgl2 or an Fgl2 protein to an animal in need thereof.
15. A method according to claim 14 comprising administering (a) a nucleic acid molecule having a sequence shown in Figure 2 or 3 or SEQ.ID.NO.:1 or 3 or (b) a protein having a sequence shown in Figure 5 or SEQ.ID.NO.:2 or 4.
16. A method for assaying for a substance that affects the prothrombinase activity of a Fgl2 protein comprising reacting a Fgl2 protein, a substrate which is capable of being cleaved by the protein to produce a product, and a test substance, under conditions which permit cleavage of the substrate to produce the product, assaying for product, and comparing to the product obtained in the absence of the substance to determine the effect of the substance on the prothrombinase activity of the protein.
17. A composition for use in inhibiting procoagulant activity in an animal comprising (a) an antibody specific for a Fgl2 protein; (b) an antisense oligonucleotide to Fgl2; or (c) a substance identified using the method as claimed in claim 16 in admixture with a suitable diluent or carrier.
18. A method for preventing or treating a condition requiring a reduction in procoagulant activity in an animal comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition as claimed in claim 17.

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